

Substitute Bill No. 1119

January Session, 2003

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DISCLOSURE OF PHARMACEUTICAL MARKETING AND ADVERTISING COSTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) (a) For purposes of this section:
- 3 (1) "Pharmaceutical manufacturing company" means any entity that 4 is engaged in the production, preparation, propagation, compounding, 5 conversion or processing of prescription drugs, either directly or indirectly by extraction from substances of natural origin, or 6 independently by means of chemical synthesis, or by a combination of 8 extraction and chemical synthesis, or any entity engaged in the 9 packaging, repackaging, labeling, relabeling or distribution of 10 prescription drugs, but does not include a wholesale drug distributor 11 or pharmacist licensed under chapter 400j of the general statutes;
- 12 (2) "Promotion" includes, but is not limited to, detailing, media 13 events, gifts, trips, educational conferences or meals; and
- 14 (3) "Health care provider" means any person, corporation, limited 15 liability company, facility or institution operated, owned or licensed in 16 this state to provide health care or professional services, or an officer, 17 employee or agent thereof acting in the course and scope of his or her 18 employment.

(b) On or before March 31, 2005, and annually thereafter, any pharmaceutical manufacturing company that sold any prescription drugs in this state during the preceding calendar year shall file a report with the Department of Public Health. Such report shall disclose the amount of expenses for advertising for each prescription drug on the list compiled in accordance with subsection (c) of this section in each media outlet on such list for the preceding calendar year. Such report shall include expenses for promotions for each prescription drug to health care providers whose offices are based in this state for the preceding calendar year, including, but not limited to, the salaries for employees engaged primarily in the marketing of pharmaceutical products to health care providers. Such report shall be made on a form prescribed by the Commissioner of Public Health and shall list expenses by each pharmaceutical product sold by a pharmaceutical manufacturing company and by such other categories as the commissioner may deem appropriate. No later than April 30, 2005, and annually thereafter, the department shall compile the information contained therein and submit, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes, a report containing the information to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health and human services.

(c) For purposes of the report required by subsection (b) of this section, on or before October 1, 2004, and annually thereafter, the Department of Public Health, in consultation with the Departments of Social Services and Consumer Protection, shall compile a list of (1) not more than forty prescription drugs that are commonly used or costly, and (2) newspapers, magazines and other periodicals, and radio and television stations serving varying populations in the state. Such list shall be made available to pharmaceutical manufacturing companies for the purposes of preparing the report required pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	October 1, 2003

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